

IN THE CLAIMS:

- 1 1. (amended) An electronic device, comprising a sensor sensitive to position of a
2 conductive or ferrous material, said sensor comprising a single coil inductance
3 transducer having a magnetically permeable member and a circuit, wherein said
4 circuit adjusts sensor output to provide ~~sensor~~ circuit output data independent of
5 temperature of said conductive or ferrous material magnetically permeable
6 member, wherein said circuit uses a signal derived from resistance of said ~~sensor~~
7 single coil inductance transducer to correct for temperature.
- 1 2. (amended) The electronic device as recited in claim 1, wherein said conductive or
2 ferrous material comprises a magnetically permeable member, wherein said
3 magnetically permeable member is moveable.
- 1 3. (amended) The electronic device as recited in claim + 2, wherein said moveable
2 magnetically permeable member is located within ~~an inductor~~ said single coil
3 inductance transducer.
- 1 4. (Cancel) The electronic device as recited in claim 3, wherein said resistance
2 comprises resistance of said ~~inductor~~ single coil inductance transducer.
- 1 5. (original) The electronic device as recited in claim 1, wherein said sensor is a
2 displacement sensor.
- 1 6. (original) The electronic device as recited in claim 1, wherein said sensor
2 comprises input pads for receiving a first signal and a second signal, said first
3 signal having a higher frequency than said second signal.

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1 7. (Cancel) The electronic device as recited in claim 1, wherein said circuit further
2 uses a signal derived from resistance of said sensor to correct for a temperature
3 gradient.

1 8. (amended) The electronic device as recited in claim 1, wherein said circuit
2 comprises a variable gain amplifier or a microprocessor.

1 9. (original) The electronic device as recited in claim 1, wherein said magnetically
2 permeable member comprises a highly permeable material.

1 10. (original) The electronic device as recited in claim 9, wherein said highly
2 permeable material comprises permalloy, ferrite, and 400 series stainless steel.

1 11. (original) The electronic device as recited in claim 1, wherein said magnetically
2 permeable member comprises magnetoelastic characteristics.

3 12. (original) The electronic device as recited in claim 11, wherein said
4 magnetoelastic characteristics are modulated by strain, stress, or torque.

1 13. (amended) An electronic device, comprising a single coil inductance transducer
2 having a single coil and ; a magnetically permeable member that extends in said
3 single coil, said device further comprising and a circuit, wherein said circuit
4 adjusts output voltage of said single coil inductance transducer to compensate for
5 a change in temperature in said single coil and in said member.

1 14. (amended) The electronic device as recited in claim 13, wherein said magnetically
2 permeable member is moveable with respect to said single coil.

1 15. (amended) The electronic device as recited in claim 13, wherein said circuit uses
2 resistance of said single coil to compensate for change in temperature of said
3 single coil and in said member.

1 16. (original) The electronic device as recited in claim 13, wherein said sensor is a
2 displacement sensor.

1 17. (original) The electronic device as recited in claim 13, wherein said sensor
2 comprises input pads for receiving a first signal and a second signal, said first
3 signal having a higher frequency than said second signal.

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Can't 1 18. (Cancel) The electronic device as recited in claim 13, wherein said core extends in
2 two coils and wherein said circuit further uses a signal derived from resistance of
3 at least one of said coils to correct for a temperature gradient across said coils.

1 19. (amended) The electronic device as recited in claim 13, wherein said circuit
2 comprises a variable gain amplifier or a microprocessor.

1 20. (original) The electronic device as recited in claim 13, wherein said magnetically
2 permeable member comprises a highly permeable material.

1 21. (original) The electronic device as recited in claim 20, wherein said highly
2 permeable material comprises permalloy, ferrite, and 400 series stainless steel.

1 22. (original) The electronic device as recited in claim 13, wherein said magnetically
2 permeable member comprises magnetoelastic characteristics.

1 23. (original) The electronic device as recited in claim 22, wherein said
2 magnetoelastic characteristics are modulated by strain, stress, or torque.

3 24. (amended) An electronic device, comprising ~~an~~ a single inductor, a conductive or
4 magnetically permeable member coupled to said single inductor, and a circuit,
5 wherein said circuit adjusts a voltage output of said single inductor to provide a
6 voltage independent of temperature of said single inductor and temperature of said
7 conductive or magnetically permeable member.

1 25. (original) The electronic device as recited in claim 24, wherein said magnetically
2 permeable member is moveable with respect to said inductor.

1 26. (amended) The electronic device as recited in claim 24, wherein said circuit uses
2 resistance of said single inductor ~~coil~~ to compensate for change in temperature of
3 said single inductor and in said member.

1 27. (amended) The electronic device as recited in claim 24, wherein said single
2 inductor, member and circuit comprise a sensor.

1 28. (amended) The electronic device as recited in claim 27, wherein said single
2 inductor, member and circuit comprise a displacement sensor.

1 29. (amended) The electronic device as recited in claim ~~27~~ 28, wherein said sensor
2 comprises input pads for receiving a first signal and a second signal, said first
3 signal having a higher frequency than said second signal.

1 30. (Cancel) The electronic device as recited in claim 24, further comprising a second
2 inductor, wherein said magnetically permeable member is coupled to said second
3 inductor and wherein said circuit further uses a signal derived from resistance of
4 at least one of said inductors to correct for a temperature difference between said
5 inductors and provide ~~and provide~~ a voltage independent of temperature
6 difference between said inductors.

1 31. (amended) The electronic device as recited in claim 24, wherein said circuit
2 comprises a variable gain amplifier or a microprocessor.

1 32. (original) The electronic device as recited in claim 24, wherein said magnetically
2 permeable member comprises a highly permeable material.

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Cond. 1 33. (original) The electronic device as recited in claim 32, wherein said highly
2 permeable material comprises permalloy, ferrite, and 400 series stainless steel.

1 34. (original) The electronic device as recited in claim 24, wherein said magnetically
2 permeable member comprises magnetoelastic characteristics.

1 35. (original) The electronic device as recited in claim 34, wherein said
2 magnetoelastic characteristics are modulated by strain, stress, or torque.

1 36. (Withdrawn from consideration and cancelled) An electronic device for sensing at
2 least one parameter, comprising:

3 a first circuit element comprising a reactance and a resistance, said first
4 circuit element comprising input terminals and output terminals;

5 said input terminals for providing a first input signal and a second input
6 signal different from said first signal to said first circuit element;

7 said output terminals for providing a first output signal and a second
8 output signal from said first circuit element;

9 a second circuit element connected to said output terminals to use said first
10 output signal and said second output signal, wherein said second circuit
11 element generates a first parameter that depends exclusively on said
12 resistance and a second parameter that depends exclusively on said
13 reactance; and

14 a third circuit element connected to said second circuit element wherein
15 said third circuit element compensates said second parameter for changes
16 in said first parameter.

1 37. (Withdrawn from consideration and cancelled) An electronic device as recited in
2 claim 36, wherein said first circuit element comprises a variable reluctance
3 transducer having a high permeability core, wherein said first parameter provides
4 a measure of temperature and said second parameter provides a measure of
5 position of said core in said transducer.

1 38. (Withdrawn from consideration and cancelled) An electronic device as recited in
2 claim 37, wherein a portion of said variable reluctance transducer is included in a
3 Wheatstone bridge.

1 39. (Withdrawn from consideration and cancelled) An electronic device as recited in
2 claim 37, wherein said a variable reluctance transducer comprises a differential
3 variable reluctance transducer.

1 40. (Withdrawn from consideration and cancelled) An electronic device as recited in
2 claim 36, wherein said first parameter is used to correct said second parameter for
3 variation in permeability of said core with temperature.

1 41. (Withdrawn from consideration and cancelled) An electronic device as recited in
2 claim 36, wherein said third circuit element comprises a third output signal,
3 wherein said third output signal comprises displacement of said core corrected for
4 temperature of said core.

1 42. (Withdrawn from consideration and cancelled) An electronic device as recited in
2 claim 36, wherein said third circuit element further comprises a device containing
3 a relationship between said permeability and said first parameter, wherein said
4 device provides said relationship for said correction.

1 43. (Withdrawn from consideration and cancelled) An electronic device as recited in
2 claim 42, wherein said device comprises a variable gain amplifier.

1 44. (Withdrawn from consideration and cancelled) An electronic device as recited in
2 claim 43, wherein said second circuit element comprises a voltage controlled gain
3 amplifier.

1 45. (Withdrawn from consideration and cancelled) An electronic device as recited in
2 claim 42, wherein said device comprises a programable device.

1 46. (Withdrawn from consideration and cancelled) An electronic device as recited in
2 claim 45, wherein said programable device comprises a microprocessor.

1 47. (Withdrawn from consideration and cancelled) A circuit as recited in claim 36,
2 wherein said first input signal has a first frequency and said second input signal
3 has a second frequency, said first frequency lower than said second frequency, and
4 wherein said second circuit comprises a first frequency filter connected to said
5 output, and a second frequency filter connected to said output, wherein said third
6 circuit element comprises an input from said first frequency filter and an input
7 from said second frequency filter, wherein said third circuit element adjusts its
8 output based on the low frequency input.

1 48. (Withdrawn from consideration and cancelled) An electronic device as recited in
2 claim 47, wherein said second circuit element further comprises a fourth circuit
3 element to compensate for a temperature gradient across said transducer.

1 49. (Withdrawn from consideration and cancelled) An electronic device as recited in
2 claim 48, wherein said fourth circuit element comprises a summing amplifier to
3 add said output signals across said bridge.

1 50. (Withdrawn from consideration and cancelled) An electronic device as recited in
2 claim 48, wherein said fourth circuit element comprises a summing amplifier to
3 add output signals across said bridge and a device to provide a difference between
4 said output signals across said bridge, wherein said summing amplifier and said
5 device are connected to receive signal passing through said low pass filter.

1 51. (Withdrawn from consideration and cancelled) An electronic device as recited in
2 claim 48, wherein said fourth circuit element further comprises a device to
3 provide a difference between said output signals across said bridge, wherein said
4 device is connected to receive signals passing through said high pass filter.

1 52. (Withdrawn from consideration and cancelled) An electronic device as recited in
2 claim 48, wherein said fourth circuit element further comprises a device to
3 provide a difference between conditioned low frequency signal and conditioned
4 high frequency signal, wherein said difference signal is proportional to position
5 compensated for gradient of temperature.

1 53. (amended) A sensor device comprising a single component and a circuit, wherein
2 said single component is used by said circuit both for sensing a first parameter and
3 for sensing temperature wherein the temperature is used in said circuit for
4 correcting said first parameter to make output of said sensor circuit independent of
5 change in temperature with time.

1 54. (Cancel) A sensor as recited in claim 53 wherein the temperature is further used
2 for correcting said first parameter to make said sensor independent of temperature
3 gradient.

1 55. (amended) A circuit as recited in claim 53, wherein said single component
2 comprises ~~an~~ a single inductor.

1 56. (Cancel) A circuit as recited in claim 55, wherein said component comprises a
2 bridge circuit comprising two inductors.

1 57. (amended) A circuit as recited in claim 55, wherein said single inductor ~~comprise~~
2 has a magnetically permeable core.

- 1 58. (new) The electronic device as recited in claim 57, wherein said magnetically
2 permeable core has a core length and said single inductor has a single inductor
3 length, wherein said core length is about equal to said inductor length.
- 1 59. (New) The electronic device as recited in claim 53, wherein said circuit comprises
2 a variable gain amplifier or a microprocessor.
- 1 60. (New) The electronic device as recited in claim 53, further comprising a lower
2 frequency power supply and a higher frequency power supply connected to
3 provide a lower frequency and a higher frequency signal to said single component.
- 1 61. (New) The electronic device as recited in claim 60, wherein said lower frequency
2 power supply provides direct current.
- 1 62. (New) The electronic device as recited in claim 53, further comprising a low pass
2 filter and a high pass filter, each connected to receive an output of said single
3 component.
- 1 63. (New) The electronic device as recited in claim 53, further comprising a
2 demodulator positioned after said high pass filter.
- 1 64. (New) The electronic device as recited in claim 53, further comprising a
2 difference amplifier connected to receive said low frequency signal output from
3 said coil, wherein said difference amplifier provides a voltage proportional to a
4 temperature of said coil.
- 1 65. (New) The electronic device as recited in claim 64, wherein said difference
2 amplifier comprises an instrumentation amplifier.

- 1 66. (New) The electronic device as recited in claim 53, further comprising a span
2 adjustment circuit.
- 1 67. (New) The electronic device as recited in claim 66, wherein said span adjustment
2 circuit comprises a variable gain amplifier.
- 1 68. (New) The electronic device as recited in claim 66, wherein said span adjustment
2 circuit comprises a microprocessor.
- 1 69. (new) The electronic device as recited in claim 3, wherein said magnetically
2 permeable member has a member length and said single coil has a coil length,
3 wherein said member length is about equal to said coil length.
- 1 70. (new) The electronic device as recited in claim 13, wherein said magnetically
2 permeable member has a member length and said single coil has a coil length,
3 wherein said member length is about equal to said coil length.
- 1 71. (new) The electronic device as recited in claim 24, wherein said magnetically
2 permeable member has a member length and said single inductor has an inductor
3 length, wherein said member length is about equal to said inductor length.
- 1 72. (new) The electronic device as recited in claim 1, wherein said sensor is to detect
2 the position or presence of a conductive or ferrous target.
- 1 73. (new) The electronic device as recited in claim 72, wherein said single coil and
2 said target are non-contacting and wherein relative position of said single coil and
3 said target are measured.

1 74. (new) The electronic device as recited in claim 72, wherein said target has
2 magnetoelastic characteristics.

1 75. (new) The electronic device as recited in claim 1, wherein said sensor comprises a
2 displacement sensor, a force sensor, an acceleration sensor, a pressure sensor, or a
3 torque sensor.

1 76. (new) The electronic device as recited in claim 1, wherein said sensor further
2 comprises a flexure element.